

## GIANTS LEAD ALL THE WAY!

THEIR PITCHING AND BAT-  
TING BETTER THAN REDS'.

Eight Straight Victories for the Polo Per-  
formers—Brooklyn Show Pirates  
How to Play—Cubs Win in Boston  
—Cardinals Make a Swift Finish

Eight straight for the Giants and five  
straight for the Brooklynites were recorded  
yesterday when the Giants disposed of the  
Cincinatti and the Brooklynites took  
care of the Pittsburghs. The sectional  
series opened in the East with home teams  
breaking even. The losers were the Bos-  
tonians, who fell before the onslaught of the  
Cubs and the Phillips, who dropped a game  
to the Cardinals in the ninth inning. The  
Phillies are travelling along briskly in the  
consecutive line, too. They have lost  
nine straight. It is considerable of a  
team that the Chicagoans and New Yorks have  
opened up, and the race isn't as close as  
it was. The results:

New York, 5; Cincinnati, 2.

Brooklyn, 2; Pittsburgh, 1.

Chicago, 5; Boston, 1.

St. Louis, 10; Philadelphia, 3.

STANDING OF THE CLUBS.  
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Chicago... 24 12 62 St. Louis... 19 20 46  
New York... 24 13 62 Brooklyn... 17 27 35  
Pittsburgh... 18 16 32 Philadelphia... 21 35 38  
Cincinnati... 18 17 34 Boston... 11 24 31

NEW YORK, N. Y., 5; CINCINNATI, 2.

The Cincinnati presented a shaky front  
against the Giants yesterday, just the  
reverse of the front presented by the Giants  
to the Reds. The New Yorks went through  
the non-desperate strife with good hitting  
and good pitching and won comfortably,  
not making as many runs as their hitting  
and opportunities warranted, but winning  
without being hard pressed. Two Giants  
were caught napping dead to rights on the  
bases. That was a reason why they didn't  
make more runs. Dozing of that sort  
would have been costly in a close, hard fought  
game, but there was much fundamental  
strength in the game. The Giants played,  
although with two regulars out of commission,  
the missing regulars were Seymour  
and Merle, but their places were filled  
capably by Becker and Shadgrass respec-  
tively.

All in all the Giants returned from their  
trip looking fit to carry on strong warfare  
against the different battle tribes who will  
seek to conquer them on their own reservation  
for a while. A fair-sized crowd was  
there to extend the freedom of the Polo  
Grounds to the Giants and give them carte  
blanche to go as far as they liked, but not  
as big a crowd as it would have been if  
it not been the coldest June 1 since the last  
coldest June 1. The month of roses came  
in with more overcasts than roses in sight,  
and that is not the sort of weather to score  
a turkey feather or generate real snappy  
baseball. Yet the Reds say it was one of the  
best playing days they have had this  
reverent spring. So much for climatic  
influence. The rains have not been  
up against any tropical climate themselves,  
yet they are up there.

A riddled condition obtains in Griffith's  
pitching staff and the Reds' weakness in  
the field is evident. The pitchers are as  
wild and couldn't get his south paws straight  
over. Relasted part of one inning. Rowan  
was hit hard. Joe Doyle, whom harsh fate  
had missed, still put aside the Highland  
color and did his best. He pitched a fine game,  
pitched the last inning for his new career,  
and was the only one of the three Cincinnati  
pitchers to let the Giants down without a  
smear. Mathewson pitched his usual starch,  
smooth and sure, and would have had  
had about out with a little faster fielding

behind him.

Auderson, surnamed or nicknamed Wingo,  
started auspiciously, fanning Devore. But  
then he got the blues and was wild, and  
doubled in the third with one out. He went  
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